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Mr. BAVIUS,

NOtwithſtanding the ſcurrility of ſome reflexions, that are caſt on you by perſons, whoſe paſſions are engaged againſt you; the unprejudiced, I think, muſt allow that you give fair play to the combatants on your Theatre: on which, tho' you now-and then exhibit a trial of ſkill between two vixens with all the ſpirit of Billingſgate; yet you refuſe not ſometimes to admit even a couple of grave Philoſophers, to debate a point with all the decorum that belongs to their character. If you will give me leave, I ſhall be proud to enter the liſts in your laſt match about preſcience, &c. as a ſecond to the author of the *Abſtract*, publiſhed in your 134th *Journal*: in vindication of whoſe repreſentation, pleaſe to forward the encloſed.

To Mr. FANCOURT's *friend*,

SIR,

BY your candor and good conſideration, the controverſy about liberty and preſcience (as it lies between the *Abſtracter* and Mr. FANCOURT) is brought into ſuch a compaſs, that, notwithſtanding the abſtruſeneſs of the point, a man may pretty well ſee where he is; and almoſt hope to come to a reſolution.

You are pleaſed to undertake for Mr. FANCOURT, that he ſhall venture the whole controverſy on this ſingle point: *Whether whatever is now certain, was ever certain.* The affimative is what the ABSTRACTER aſſerts, and has endeavoured to demonſtrate in the latter end of the third paragraph. But, ſince what he has ſaid is not ſatisfactory, I will try to add, only by way of elucidation, what perhaps may ſet the matter in ſuch a light, as will carry conviction. Be pleaſed therefore, to review the third paragraph, and go on with what follows.

To be more particular, let us ſuppoſe a future poſſible action, for inſtance *Mr.* FANCOURT's *anſwering theſe reflections*; which we will conceive as free and contingent, viz. that it may, or may not be. Of ſuch a performance, however, may it not be ſaid, that it is now certain that it will, or that it will not be? And, whether-ſoever ſhall happen, may it not be ſaid that it was, ever, as certain that it would happen (tho' the contrary, there being no antecedent neceſſity, might have happened; and then the caſe would be the ſame, only inverted) as it will be, after it ſhall happen, that it did happen? And, as its having happened, after it ſhall happen, will be no argument that it was neceſſary it ſhould happen: ſo, neither ought the certainty of its being to happen, before it ſhall happen, to be looked upon as, at all, implying any neceſſity, or deſtroying free agency. Whatever therefore will be, will certainly be, tho' not neceſſarily: and, conſequently, Whatever is now certain, was ever certain. Q. E. D.

This is all that I have to offer at preſent, on what we are not agreed about. If I ſhould not have expreſſed my mind clearly or warily enough, you will, I dare ſay, take no advantage from any overſight: but, being honeſt in the queſt of truth, will make the beſt uſe of what you find I aim at; that you may, with the greater ſatisfaction, adhere to whatſoever ſhall come with the cleareſt evidence. I expect your thoughts hereupon, and am,

Sir, your obliged humble ſervant,

Auguſt 12, 1732. ELIOT.

Animadverſions on Dr. BENTLEY's Edition of *Paradiſe Loſt*, continued.

BOOK, I. VER. 147. Strongly *to ſuffer and ſupport our pains?*

Dr. B. ſays poſitively 'the ſenſe plainly requires, and 'therefore the Author gave it *ſtronglier*'. This poſitive aſſertion, without aſſigning any reaſon for it, has been denied, and that denial ſupported by reaſon. The preceding words are not, *What if our conqueror has* given us MORE *ſtrength?* which would have required in the following part of the ſentence, MORE *ſtrongly to ſuffer*, &c. But, as the former part of it now runs, *What if he have left us this our ſtrength entire*, the latter is much more proper in the poſitive degree, *ſtrongly to ſuffer*. —— Beſides, there is no ſuch word as *ſtronglier*: and tho' the Author might be allowed to coin a new word, yet this liberty is not to be taken by an Editor.

VER. 204. ——— night-*founder'd skiff.*] 'Foundering, 'ſays the Dr. is *ſinking* by a leak: ſo that *night* alone 'can never founder; which word is likewiſe ſuperfluous, 'becauſe mentioned in the cloſe of this compariſon. The 'Poet therefore gave it *nigh-founder'd* or almoſt founder'd, 'as ii. 940. ſpeaking of SATAN, *nigh-founder'd on he 'fares.*' To this it has been ingeniouſly anſwered, if *foundering* is *ſinking*, it would be of little uſe to fix an anchor any where, which could not prevent the ſinking of a leaky ſkiff. *Night-founder'd* therefore means, overtaken by night, and at a loſs which way to ſail. Which very word MILTON, in his poem called the *Maſk*, publiſhed when he was very young, puts into the mouth of one of the brothers who had loſt their way in the wood, *ſome one, like us*, night-founder'd *here*. — Neither, as the Dr. urges, 'is night here ſuperfluous, becauſe *while night in-'veſts the ſea* follows ſo ſoon;' for by that is denoted the time this *ſkiff* continued *moored by* the whale's *ſide*. Mr. CONUNDRUM was here a little arch in his way upon the Dr, ſaying, the Critic was in this place certainly *nigh-founder'd*, if not *night-founder'd*.

VER. 329. *Transfix us to the bottom of this gulf.* The Dr. 'believes the Poet gave it FAST *fix*, becauſe 'to *transfix* is to pierce quite through the body, and its 'ſignification is there bounded and cloſed: ſo that to '*transfix to* a thing, or *on* a thing cannot be juſtly ſaid.' —— MILTON has ſaid both: and where, I pray, is the impropriety? If he took the greater liberty of coining new words, ſurely he might take the leſs of adding a new ſenſe to an old word, and thereby make it doubly ſignificant. There is nothing more beautiful in poetry than ſuch bold comprehenſive expreſſions; for which VIRGIL is particularly admired. If theſe *linked thunderbolts* had *pierced quite through* SATAN's ſubſtance, and fixed him *to the bottom of this gulf*, they might very properly be ſaid to have *transfixed* him *to* it. This reading is confirmed by ii. 180. *Shall be hurl'd Each* on *his rock* transfix'd. To take off the force of which, the Dr. either would have the conſtruction to be, *Hurl'd on his rock*, not *Transfix'd on his rock*, (which conſtruction I own is agreeable enough to the place): or elſe would ſubſtitute *infix'd*; but this word neceſſarily relating to *on the rock* requires the common conſtruction, and conſequently juſtifies the common reading *transfix'd*.

VER. 347. *'Till, as a ſignal giv'n, th' uplifted ſpear*, &c. 'The *uplifted ſpear* was not AS *a ſignal*, but the ſignal 'itſelf: the Author gave it AT.' The learned *Reviewer of* MILTON's *Text* has ingeniouſly obſerved, that if MILTON had deſigned *at*, he would have ſaid, *at* THE *ſignal*, as in i. 776. and ii. 56. And therefore he very rightly includes part of the 3 lines in a parentheſis, reading them thus,

'Till (as a ſignal given, th' uplifted ſpear
Of their great Sultan waving to direct
Their courſe) in even ballance down they light, &c.

But this Gentleman ſeems to be a little miſtaken in aſſerting, that 'th' *uplifted ſpear* was not *the ſignal* it 'ſelf: it was deſign'd, by its *waving to direct their courſe*, 'tho' it ſerv'd at the ſame time *as a ſignal* for them to 'begin to move.' *Its waving* then was certainly *the ſignal for them to move* to a certain place: for they were not now *to begin to move*, having been all put in motion before by SATAN's ſpeech: as we are told VER. 331. *They heard, and were abaſh'd, and up they ſprung Upon the wing.*

VER. 421. *Ægypt from Syrian* ground] 'I believe he 'dictated *bound*,' ſays the Dr. 'This is wrong, ſays the 'Reviewer, for the *brook* was itſelf the *bound*, becauſe it 'parted them.' And conſequently, ſay I, as much the *Ægyptian*, as the *Syrian*, bound.

VER. 465] *Of warriors old.*] As the Dr. in VER. 127. had ſtrook out *bold* to make room for *old*: ſo to make *old* amends, he here takes its part, and thruſts out *bold*. His reaſon is, becauſe 'We had a little before VER. 552. '*Heroes old.*' To which the *Reviewer* anſwers, that it was 13 verſes before, and therefore might have been uſed here again, tho' in the ſame ſenſe; but that it ſeems to be uſed in a different ſenſe, and to mean long-experienced warriors, as in *Sampſon Agoniſtes*, V. 140. old warriors *turn'd Their plated backs under his heel.*

VER. 636. *If counſels* different.] The Dr. alters this to *counſels* E'ER DIFFERR'D: by which it is plain he means DEFERR'D from the explication which follows, 'If *coun-'ſels*, publickly reſolv'd on, were ever *delay'd* by my 'ſloth.' He rejects the common reading, becauſe 'there's 'no hint in all the Poem, that SATAN differs from all the 'Council, or acted without their conſent.' —— If there had been any ſuch hint, I am ſure, it would have been a good argument againſt the common reading, unleſs we are neceſſarily to ſuppoſe, that the Devil always lyes, and could never ſpeak any truth, even to his *old compeers*, or *bold warriors*; and likewiſe that he would be ſo imprudent as to appeal to them for the truth of a fact, which they all knew to be falſe. Beſides, as the Author of the *Review* has obſerved, the Dr's reaſon is equally ſtrong againſt his own emendation, there being likewiſe *no hint* of SATAN's having ever *deferr'd* counſels publicly reſolv'd on: and is indeed the very foundation, upon which the common reading is to be juſtify'd. To which I ſhall add, that ſuppoſing both readings ſtood upon equal authority, *different* would be more probable than *deferr'd*: becauſe it is much more credible, that SATAN ſhould have *differed* in opinion from the reſt, than that through ſloth or fear he ſhould have *delayed* to execute public reſolutions.

VER. 647. — *That* he no leſs.] The Dr. ſays, '*No leſs* 'is in an unuſual ſenſe here, if in any. I with the ſame 'letters propoſe a different word, in a new ſenſe, and read '*That* LESSON he.' This *new ſenſe* the *Reviewer* proves to be none, by obſerving, that if the Dr's alteration be admitted we muſt read *This leſſon*; becauſe *This* properly refers to what follows, *That* to what went before. *No leſs*, neanmoins, nevertheleſs. —— That *no leſs* is here uſed not only in ſome ſenſe, but likewiſe in a very *uſual*, and conſequently a very good ſenſe, is evident to me from the whole reaſoning taken together. SATAN could not talk ſo abſurdly as to pretend to teach God a leſſon. He owns in the preceding lines, that they were not a match for *th' Almighty*, and that they *know* his ſtrength: therefore, continues he, we muſt *work by fraud, that he* NO LESS *from us may find*, than we have found from him, that we are but half overcome: we have *found* him ſuperior in force; he may at length *no leſs find* from us, that we can ſtill oppoſe him by fraud. But tho' I hope I have cleared MILTON from the charge of writeing *unuſual ſenſe* in this place; yet I cannot pretend to clear the Dr's alteration from the imputation of *unuſual nonſenſe*: *That* leſſon he *At length from us may* find. Of this the Dr. was a little ſuſpicious; and, I ſuppoſe, well remembering from the time he went to ſchool, (as I believe all good and bad ſcholars do) the great difference betwixt *finding* and *learning* a leſſon, would fain ſubſtitute *learn* inſtead of *find*, upon no other foundation than 'Perhaps 'for *find* it was given *learn*, as vi. 717. *There let them* learn, *as likes them, to deſpiſe.*' MILTON has in one place ſayed *learn to deſpiſe*, therefore he here ſays *learn a leſſon*. Since *Perhaps* is imagined to be a word of ſuch force, I ſhall venture here to make a conjecture myſelf; *Perhaps* MILTON gave it *take*: which word I preſume I can prove to be not only as Miltonic, but likewiſe more proper in this place than *learn*, as being both more pedagogical, and more poetical.

Having thus ſhewn from the obſervations of others, and from my own, that ſeveral of the Dr's alterations of the firſt Book of *Paradiſe Loſt*, have no good foundation; I ſhall now as readily give ſome inſtances of his conjectures, which either probably ſeem to be, or certainly are, well grounded.

VER. 52. ——— *Rolling* in *the fiery gulf.* VER. 324. —— *Rolling* in *the flood.*] In both theſe places, according to the Dr. 'the Poet gave it *rolling* on.' As he has proved that MILTON has uſed ON in the *Argument* of this Book, and in VER. 195, 210, 266, 280: ſo IN may be juſtified by VER. 76. where the Poet expreſly tells us, that theſe rebellious angels were *overwhelm'd with floods and whirlwinds of tempeſtuous fire.* But tho' it be of little conſequence, whether IN or ON be read in the two verſes under conſideration; yet, I believe, if any one ſhall nicely examine all the places where either of theſe two words is uſed in relation to this matter, he will be apt to think, that one has a greater propriety in each particular place than the other could have had.

VER. 167. ——————— *And* diſturb
His inmoſt counſels from their deſtin'd aim.

The Dr's objection againſt this place, is only that it 'does 'not reach up to our Poet's uſual exactneſs.' He therefore changes it to *diſturn*, a word he ſays 'uſed by CHAU-'CER in *Troilus and Creſſida*, iii. 719. tho' in two other 'places, his copies, perhaps erroneouſly, now have *miſturn*. '*Diſtornare*, a vulgar word Italic; as Gallic, *detourner*. 'And who knows not MILTON's inclination to revive old 'words, or even coin new ones, eſpecially with the Ita-

'lian ſtamp?' Allowing this conjecture to be probable, yet we may defend the common reading, if we have more regard to the derivation of the word, than to its vulgar uſe; for that will juſtify the ſenſe requiſite in this place: and M. Du Cange derives even the French word *detourner* from the Latin *diſturbare*, which he ſays ſignifies the ſame thing.

Ver. 363. ——————— *From the* books *of life*] The Dr. rightly conjectures, that 'the Author ſpoke it *book of life*, according to the Scriptures.'

Ver. 669. *Hurling defiance tow'rd the* vault *of heaven.* Againſt this reading the Dr. argues very ſtrongly. '*Heaven*, 'the habitation of God and angels, was never deſcribed 'as *vaulted*, nor once ſo hinted by Milton. To our vi- 'ſible heaven Spenser aſſigns the orb of ſtars for a *vau't:* 'but to the heaven where angels reſide he attributes an *illi- 'mitable hight.* But allowing theſe heavens were *vault- 'ed*, yet if the Devils *hurl'd toward* that *vault*, they 'hurl'd quite beyond the mark: for their enemies did 'not reſide in the vaults, but on the plains of heaven. 'Therefore Milton muſt have given it walls of hea- 'ven.' This emendation he confirms by two places ii. 343. vi. 860: to which the Author of the *Review* has added three more, ii. 1035. iii. 71. 503.

Ver. 703. *With wondrous art* found out *the maſſy ore.* The ore was *found out* before at *ver.* 688: and therefore the Dr. juſtly rejects this erroneous reading, and reſtores the true one, in the firſt edition, *founded*, or melted, from *fundere:* which was communicated to the public in our 25th Journal, June 25, 1730.

Theſe are all the places in the firſt book, in which the Dr. imagines any errors to have been occaſioned, by the miſtakes, either of the Amanuenſis, or of the Printer: which are certainly the moſt ſolid, if not the only juſt, foundation for any alterations of the preſent text.

Bavius.

Mr. Bavius,

I Believe you have not gueſſed at the true reaſon why Dr B. preferred *old* to *bold* in *Paradiſe Loſt*, B. I. 127. where he reads, inſtead of bold *compeer*, old *compeer*. This I imagine he did in oppoſition to his *quondam* antagoniſt the learned Johnstonus; who in his criticiſms upon the *Ode of* Tom Bostock, hath given the preference to *bold*, and inſtead of *old* Tom Bostock, reads *bold* Tom Bostock.

Give me leave to propoſe an emendation in the Bentleian manner of the famous ſong called *Chevy Chace*. In the common editions we read,

A bow he had bent in his hand
Made of a truſty tree:
An arrow of a cloth yard long
Full to the head drew he.

This corrupt reading leaves us to ſeek of what wood the *bow* was made, only informing us it was of a *tree*; and it makes the rime not *bold* enough. Read therefore on my authority,

— *made of a truſty* yew
An arrow of a cloth yard long
Full to the head he drew.

What an eaſy alteration is this? none but a dull wooden-headed blunderbuſs of an Editor could ſuppoſe the Poet wrote otherwiſe. The bows were generally, if not always, made of *yew*; for which ſee Robin Hood's *Songs*, and *The Life of* Johnny Armstrong.

I am your humble ſervant,

July 31, 1732. Philo-Bent.

DOMESTIC NEWS.

C. *Courant.* | E P. *Evening Poſt.*
P. *Poſt-Boy.* | S J. *S. James's Evening Poſt.*
D P. *Daily Poſt.* | WE. *Whitehall Evening P.*
D J. *Daily Journal.* | LE. *London Evening Poſt.*

Thursday, *Auguſt* 10.

Yeſterday Daniel Tipping, condemn'd at the laſt Seſſions in the Old Bailey (and whoſe ſentence was reſpited for 14 days) was executed at Tyburn. *D P.* Reprieved for 14 days. *C. P. D P.*

We hear that the Rev. Mr. Barnard, Chaplain to his Majeſty, and to his Grace the D of Newcaſtle, will be made one of the Prebendaries of Weſtminſter, vacant by the death of Dr. Aſpinwall. *P. S J.* —— Is appointed one of the Prebends. *C.* Prebendaries. *D P. WE. LE.*

Yeſterday was held a Gen. Court of the Eaſt-India Company, when Sir Mat. Decker acquainted them with the ſtate of their affairs in relation to their trade, and of the bad return for their European goods: an enquiry was made into the conduct of their ſervants at Bengal, when it was agreed that a Court of Directors be impower'd to proceed therein, and make a report thereof at the next Gen. Court. *D P.*

By letters from Dewſbury we hear, that the Rev. Mr. Will. Bowman has finiſhed his defence of himſelf and his ſermon, from the many ſeveral pamphlets that have been put out againſt him, which is now printing. He has alſo added, a letter to the Engliſh Laity, which, he ſays, is deſign'd as a preſervative againſt the principles and practices of the Clergy. *S J. W E* ——— We *do not* hear, *but we* hope, *that this* Rev. Gentleman *has written* his Defence of himſelf *in* Engliſh; *a language, which he ſeemed to be learning, when he wrote* his ſermon.

On tueſday the Lord Charles Cavendiſh arrived here with his Lady from Rome, where they have been about 2 years. *S J.* ——— Lord James Cavendiſh. *C.* 11.

On tueſday night died of a fever in her 17th year, at Tunbridge in Kent, the Hon. Miſs Aſhburnham, only Daughter to the R. Hon. the E. of Aſhburnham. *S J.* —— The Lady Harriot. *P.* 11. Lady Ann. *D P.* —— By his 2d Lady, widow of the E. of Angleſey. *D P.* 11.

Friday, *Auguſt* 11.

Yeſterday at a Court of Common Council held at Guildhall, the Bill relating to the diſpoſal of the place of Keeper of Newgate was read twice; and the queſtion being put, whether it ſhould be read the 3d time the next Court, it was carried in the negative. *P.* ——— Yea's 76, No's 85. *D P. D J.* ——— It is very ſurpriſing that the Court ſhould refuſe making ſatisfaction to the L. Mayor and Sheriffs for ſinking the ſaid place; when in the Mayoralty of Sir Ric. Brocas the place of Apothecary to the Peſt houſe became vacant, when they voted the place uſeleſs, and order'd the full value of the ſaid place to be paid out of the Chamber of London to Sir Ric. Brocas, and an annuity of 10 l. per ann. to all ſucceeding L. Mayors in lieu thereof. *D P.*

Yeſterday a Court of Directors was held of the India Company, when they reſolved to ſend no ſhips to China this year, &c. *C. P. D P.*

We hear that Will. Mittins, Eſq; brother to John Mittins, Eſq; a Gentleman of 4000 l. per ann. in Shropſhire, is appointed Secretary to the L. How, Governor of Barbadoes. *C. D P.*

Saturday, *Aug.* 12.

On thurſday her Majeſty was pleaſed to appoint the Rev. Mr. Carleton, one of the King's Chaplains, to be Sub-dean of the Chappel Royal at S. James's, in the room of the Rev. Dr. Aſpinwall, deceaſed. *C. D P.*

The 8 new ſloops which are building in his Majeſty's yards, are (we hear) to carry 80 men each, and 8 ſwivel guns; and it is ſaid 3 of them are to go to the Weſt-Indies, and the other 5 to be on the Iriſh ſtation. *P. D J.*

We are inform'd that Mr. Crawford, who was taken into cuſtody, is not an Attorney; and that when the Meſſenger, &c. enter'd his Chambers, he immediately came out of his ſtudy, and ſurrender'd. *D P.*

On monday laſt a Reaper found, in a field behind the Bell at Coal Harbour, near Stockwell, a man who had been hang'd, but the rope was broke, and he had lain on the ground a conſiderable time, his throat being eaten away by maggots. The Coroner having ſummoned a Jury, they were of opinion he deſtroy'd himſelf, being *non compos mentis.* D J

Canterbury, Aug. 9. We hear from Marden, that one George Uſborn being at Horſenden Fair, near Goudhurſt, laid a wager of 50 l. with a man of Maidſtone, that he would be married the next day before noon, tho' he then had held no converſation with any woman on that head. The Maidſtone man, to make ſure of his wager, put a ſtop in the Court there; but the other took horſe and went to a Miſer that night, and aſk'd him for his daughter, who giving him a ſlight anſwer, he turn'd away and went to another, and they were married the next day, juſt 3 minutes within the time: it ſeems too he met with a good bargain, for ſhe has 700 l. to her portion. However, his antagoniſt diſputes paying the 50 l. becauſe they were not bedded alſo within the time. *S J.* —— *In my opinion, he both won the wager, and deſerves it, for acting ſo courageouſly in defiance of the proverb.*

Monday, *Aug.* 14.

The Hon. Will. Finch, Eſq; next brother to the E. of Winchelſea, is appointed his Majeſty's Envoy Extraordinary to the Court of Spain. —— Mr. Howarth, ſon to Sir Humph. Howarth, Knt. Repreſentative in Parliament for the ſhire of Radnor, is appointed one of the Clerks of the Treaſury. *D P.* —— The Lords of the Treaſury have appointed Steph. Crowch of Tetherington, in the County of Wilts, Eſq; who had been Receiver Gen. of the land-tax for one part of that County for many years, to be Receiver for the whole, Hen. Flower, Eſq; being removed. *C.*

Yeſterday morning Mr. Brown, one of his Majeſty's Meſſengers, arrived with diſpatches from his Majeſty, by which we hear that his Majeſty will return to England about the middle of next month. *P.*

By the Amelia arrived at Dover we hear, that Sir Chaloner Ogle was arrived, and had taken on him the command of his Majeſty's ſquadron of men of war in thoſe parts; and that Commodore Leſtock was preparing to return home. *D P. C.* ——— This formal ſtory is abſolutely wrong. *D J.* 15.

The Ockham was attack'd by 10 of Angria's Gallivats, out of whom ſhe kill'd 75 men, and wounded 30, not having one man on board her hurt. *D J.* —— 13 Grabes and Callevats, with upwards of 1800 men: the Ockham having no more than 67 men, tacking about fell in amongſt the whole fleet, and then could give them a broadſide, which ſhe follow'd cloſely; but the night coming on ſhe lay by for the morning, when the Pyrates ſeemed to give ſign of battle; whereupon the Ockham ſtanding to with a fair wind, prepared for engaging them afreſh, when Angria's fleet ran away, with the loſs of 70 men killed, and 30 wounded, whom Angria, when they got into Callaby, burnt as a ſacrifice; and a few days after, putting out to ſea, they fell in with the Roſe Galley, Capt. Thorp, whom they took, and made them all priſoners. *D P.* —— The Ockham had in company the London, the Sovereign, and another country ſhip: Angria 'tis ſaid loſt near 200 men. *C.*

On ſaturday the Aſſizes ended at Kingſton, when 4 perſons received ſentence of death. —— Jam. Bradſhaw, a Quaker, was try'd for wilful and corrupt perjury, and alſo for ſubornation of perjury, and acquitted: but is to be removed to Newgate, in order to be try'd at the Old Bailey, on an indictment for wilful and corrupt perjury. *D J.* —— *How can a* Quaker, *who never* ſwears, *be guilty of* perjury?

There was a trial at the ſame Aſſizes, between one Diner a Wheeler of Eſhare, Plaintiff, and Mr. Harveſt a Brewer of Kingſton, Defendant. The caſe was thus: Mr. Harveſt going home to Kingſton, the Plaintiff being drunk, came up to him on horſeback, and would drink with him; but Mr. Harveſt bid him deſiſt, and go about his buſineſs, which he refuſing, Mr. Harveſt order'd his man to cut him or ſhoot him. It was try'd by a ſpecial Jury of Gentlemen, who brought in a verdict of 400 l. for the Plaintiff. *P.*

Tuesday, *Aug.* 15.

On ſaturday the horſe races ended at Lewes in Suſſex. The King's plate of 100 guineas was won by a horſe named Diamond, and 50 l. plate by Mr. Rich's Merry Tom. *D J. P.* —— His Grace the D. of Newcaſtle keeps open houſe during his ſtay in that country. *D J.*

We are informed, that, as the Commiſſioners for Putney-bridge continue to keep up their pontage for a one horſe chaiſe to 1 s. the Proprietors of the Ferry at Kew and Richmond have lowered their price to 8 d. and intend ſhortly to reduce them to 6 d. *C.*

A woman belonging to a gang who for ſome time have made it their practice to cheat people, by pawning or ſelling to them falſe plate, viz. ſpoons, tankards, mugs, &c. of braſs ſilver'd over, was yeſterday detected as ſhe was offering two of thoſe ſorts of ſpoons (not worth 2 s.) to pawn for 15 s. to one Mr. Chriſt. Reynolds in Hart-ſtreet, Covent-garden; and being carry'd before Sir John Gonſon was committed to Tothill-fields Bridewell. *D P.*

On ſunday morning the Rev. Mr. Richardſon, who keeps a ſchool at Lewiſham, going to preach at Woolwich, was robbed by a foot-pad, in Hanging Wood, of a guinea. *D J.* —*Both the perſon and the place were ominous.*

On ſaturday dy'd, aged near 100, Mr. Cotſworth, formerly a watch-maker in Fleet-ſtreet, the oldeſt inhabitant in S. Dunſtan's pariſh. *D P.*

On ſunday, during the time of the ſervice at St. Margaret's Church, at Weſtminſter, when the Miniſter was praying for his Majeſty King George, a man called out King James, which put the congregation into a great conſternation. Upon examination the perſon appear'd to be diſtracted. *S J.* —*The* L E. *ſays it was only* a great ſurprize; *which is moſt* probable. —— This morning a man, ſuppoſed to be diſorder'd in his ſenſes, came to S. James's houſe, and proclaimed the Pretender as King of England, by the name of King James the third, which made a great deal of diſturbance: the Officer on duty ſent him to the Savoy. *S J.*

Wednesday, *Aug.* 16.

A great number of workmen are employed in repairing and beautifying the Royal palace at Hampton Court, for the reception of the Royal family. *C. D P.* Upwards of 200. *P.* — We hear from Windſor, that upwards of 200 workmen are employ'd in repairing and beautifying his Majeſty's Caſtle there. *D J.*

A fine monument is erecting in Weſtminſter Abbey, in memory of the late E. of Stanhope. *D J. C.*

J. Mechell ſays he *got* one (Advertiſement) into this Journal, "but *we* refuſe to print more, notwithſtanding "the Printer received for three." It's true, he did *get* one in, but it was when I was abſent: And he paid for two more at the ſame time; but he was offer'd his Money again; or, on his thinking it a Hardſhip, to have two more Advertiſements inſerted: But now he refuſes both, unleſs we will advertiſe for him as long as he pleaſes; which plainly ſhews him to be a Man wanting both Truth and Underſtanding.

J. H.

From the PEGASUS *in Grub-ſtreet.*

SIR,

AS you are engaged in the cauſe of virtue, and chaſtiſe your writing Brethren, whenever they preſume to be guilty of nonſenſe or immorality, I take the liberty to deſire you to animadvert a little upon the following paragraph, inſerted in the *Daily Poſt-Boy* of the 12th of *Aug.* 1732.

Calais, Aug. 20. N. S. 'This day was ſhipped on 'board of two Engliſh ſhips for the new world, a great 'number of ragged Chriſtians from Germany for the 'Weſt-Indies. They ſay they are to people a new Colo-'ny, and alſo to plant a new religion there, which is ex-'treamly well calculated for the eaſe of tender conſci-'ences, a plan whereof now lyes before the Com——rs 'for their approbation.'

As that Paper is reputed to come from a Chriſtian of the Church of *England*, it ſeems very odd, that he ſhould treat the being perſecuted for religion as a jeſt; I therefore am perſwaded, that he printed this paragragh juſt as it came to hand from his foreign correſpondent, without conſidering it himſelf. I am ſure he could not think, that the adding the word *ragged* to *Chriſtians* could convey an idea of ridicule. If raggedneſs were in itſelf ridiculous, the Stoicks, the primitive Chriſtians, the Janſeniſts in France, the Roman Catholicks in Ireland, and the Nonjurors in England, would be liable to ridicule as well as the perſecuted German Proteſtants. Sickneſs, miſery, and poverty, more eſpecially when voluntarily ſubmitted to in defence of virtue and religion, are objects of compaſſion and eſteem, not of contempt. But a Coxcomb, and one who pretends to be witty without genius, and upon improper ſubjects, is a real object of ridicule. As to the new religion mentioned in the paragraph, it is no newer than that of the *Church of England*, to which theſe poor people are reconciled, both in diſcipline and doctrine. Their Miniſter, Mr. Bigniong, came to London on purpoſe, received ordination, returned to them again, and is now ſailed with his little flock, to begin the new Colony on the Savanah river.

THE controverſy lately ariſen betwixt the Societies of Grub-ſtreet and of Drury-lane, which had lived ſo long in the greateſt harmony, was brought down by me, in our laſt Journal, to the middle of the laſt month: about which time, a Farce intitled *The Covent-Garden Tragedy* was publiſhed. To which the learned Author has prefixed *Prolegomena*, containing two pieces: a *Letter from a fine Gentleman*; and a *Crititiſm* on that *Tragedy, originally intended for the Grub-ſtreet Journal*. In the latter he has given a freſh inſtance of his ability to write in character: making his perſonating Critic ſay, *pag.* 7. 'How reading 'Blay-bills, and writing *Grub-ſtreet* Papers can qualify 'him [the Drury-lane Porter] to be a judge of Plays, I 'confeſs, I cannot tell'. As *Grub-ſtreet Papers* can here mean no other than *Grub-ſtreet Journals*; this pretended member of our Club, caſts this general reflection upon them all. This is probability and propriety.

In the *Letter*, the fine Gentleman tells his friend, 'I 'have applied my ſelf pretty much to my books; I have, 'beſides the *Craftſman* and *Grub-ſtreet Journals*, read a 'good deal in Mr. POPE's *Rape of the Lock*, and ſeveral 'pages in the *Hiſtory of the King of Sweden*'. pag. 2.

That this could not be deſigned as a ſatire only upon the firſt, third, and fourth of the pieces mentioned, is indiſputable: and therefore it muſt be levelled either againſt the *Grub-ſtreet Journal* alone, or againſt all four together. If againſt the Journal alone, it muſt ſuppoſe the other pieces very bad in the opinion of the world, and worſe than the *Journal*, rather than otherwiſe. If it was aimed againſt all four, it muſt ſuppoſe their merits to be pretty near equal. So that let either be choſen, it is a fine complement to our Lucubrations, repreſenting them as ſuperior, or at leaſt equal, to the moſt celebrated pieces that have been publiſhed of late years.

But the Author deſigned no ſuch complement: for he has expreſly declared, *pag.* 2. the Authors of our Journal to be a 'Club, which hath determin'd to inſtruct the 'world in arts and ſciences, without underſtanding any; 'who

With leſs learning than makes felons ſcape,
Leſs human genius than God gives an ape.

are reſolv'd —— —— —— *in ſpite*
Of nature, and their ſtars to write.

This is a ſevere quotation upon us; but as it ſeems to include the CRAFTSMAN, Monſieur VOLTAIRE, and even Mr. POPE himſelf, the Author of the two firſt lines, we ſhall be very eaſy in ſuch good company. However, as this Gentleman has been guilty of an act of inſincerity, in joyning the words of two different Authors, as if they were the ſame; and in following the example of moſt controverſial writers, who produce only one part of a ſentence, which ſeems to be on their ſide, and leave out the other which makes againſt them; I ſhall here give the whole paſſage, as it is in the *Dunciad*, B. i. 335, &c. From whence it will evidently appear, that theſe lines are not at all applicable to the Authors of our Journal, but only to thoſe Dramatical renegado Members of our Society, againſt whom they were originally intended.

How, with leſs reading than makes felons 'ſcape,
Leſs human genius than God gives an ape,
Small thanks to France, and none to Rome or Greece,
A paſt, vamp'd, future, old, reviv'd, new piece,
Twixt Plautus, Fletcher, Congreve, and Corneille,
Can make a Cibber, Johnſon, or Ozell.

See *Temple Beau, Tom Thumb, Modern Husband, Old Debauchees, Covent garden Tragedy*, and *Mock Doctor*.

BAVIUS.

To Miſs RAFTOR, on her ſucceſs in acting *Polly Peachum*.

By HINT and KEYBER form'd to pleaſe the age,
See little RAFTOR mount the Drury ſtage;
FENTON outdone, with her no more compares,
Than GAY's beſt ſongs with HINT's *Mock Doctor* airs.
Lament, O RICH: thy labours all are vain:
HINT writes, and RAFTOR acts in Drury-lane.

Dublin, Aug. 1. At a hurling match on the 25th, being S. James's day, near Clenard Bridge, many quarrels and riots enſuing, one Mr. White endeavouring to appeaſe the mob, was himſelf ſtoned to death. An odd proceeding this; when the Reverence which his profeſſion claimed from them (moſt of them being Papiſts) and a ſtrict Act, could not protect him from their violence. *C. P. D J.* 10. —— *Aug.* 5. 'Tis reported, that Cork Goal being almoſt full of criminals, they broke out, and upwards of 40 got clear off. *D J.*

FOREIGN NEWS.

THURSDAY, *Auguſt* 10.

Yeſterday arrived the Mail from France.

Prague, Aug. 13. This day his Pruſſian Majeſty and the Prince Royal, having taken leave of their Imperial Majeſties, ſet out for Berlin. *D P.*

FRIDAY, *Aug.* 11.

Rome, July 23. The effects which were ſeized at Mr. John Thompſon's, Caſhier of the Charitable Corporation in London, have been ſent to the Count de Giraud, in order to be delivered to the Directors of the Company. *C.*

It is written from Cadiz, the 29th, N. S. That a perſon was brought there in irons from Ceuta, and ſent to Seville to be examined. The Moors had brought an army before Ceuta, from which this perſon deſerted into the town, but being ſuſpected of being a ſpy, they examined him there, and diſcovered that he was Secretary to the D. de Riperda, who was in the Mooriſh army: they ſent him to Spain, for farther examination. *D J.*

SATURDAY, *Aug.* 12.

Hague, Aug. 4. N. S. The Miniſter of Bavaria's ſudden retreat from the Imperial Court, and the orders publiſhed in that Electorate for the augmentation of the army, occaſion many reflexions, and make us fearful that the affairs between the 2 Courts will take a turn productive of freſh broils. *P.*

MONDAY, *Aug.* 14.

Yeſterday arrived the Mails from France *and* Holland.

Seville, July 26. The E. of Albemarle, who was receiv'd here with the higheſt marks of diſtinction, is gone for his regiment at Gibraltar. 'Tis ſaid his Excellency, after ſome ſtay there, will return again to Great Britain, by the way of Italy, France, and Holland. *D P.*

Paris, Aug. 20. Laſt week the Gens du Roy went to Verſailles, to receive an anſwer from the King to their Remonſtrances; but his Majeſty was pleaſed to ſuſpend his anſwer once more for a few days. *D P.*

Geneva, Aug. 8. They write from Turin, that that Court has ſeized 5 fiefs of the holy See in Piedmont; and that the affairs between the 2 Courts are more embroiled than ever, upon the account of Senior Sardini. *P.*

Baſil, Aug. 10. The French Troops in Alſace begin to leave their quarters, in order to form the camp on that ſide, and in the Dutchy of Bar the French are making ſome ſuſpicious motions. *P.*

TUESDAY, *Aug.* 15.

Yeſterday arrived the Mail from Holland.

Hague, Aug. 22. Our laſt letters from Corſica, by the way of Leghorn, ſay the Malecontents of that Iſland begin to gather again; and that they have actually committed ſome diſorder in the open Country. This news is not at all ſurpriſing here, conſidering how unaccountably their leaders have been betray'd into the towsr of Genoa, whence they will hardly ever come out, unleſs it be to loſe their heads. *P.*

Florence, Aug 2. They are hard at work on the new road mark'd out by the famous M. Galilei, in a direct line to Parma. *D P. D J.*

Rome, Aug. 2. On monday the Cardinals, Chiefs of orders, interrogated the Cardinal the 8th time, for 4 hours, upon which his Eminency fell into a ſwoon: this frightened his Examiners, and broke off further proceedings for that bout. *D P.*

WEDNESDAY, *Aug.* 16.

Berlin, Aug. 16. The King left Prague the 5th, and returned the 14th to Potſdam in perfect health. *D J. C.*

Paris, Aug. 15. The firſt Preſident received a letter de cachet from the King on the 11th at night, containing his Majeſty's anſwer to their remonſtrances: all the Chambers met thereon the next day; but neither the contents of the anſwer, nor the reſult of the conferences held upon it, are yet known. *D P.*

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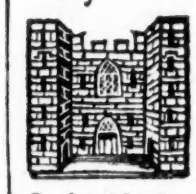

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